

## Prince Edward Island Firefighter's Association

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### Minutes of the Executive Meeting

April 11, 2013 7:00 p.m.  
Fire School

Meeting was called to order by President Jason Peters.

#### Members Present:

Jason Peters	Miles Boulter	Robert Arsenault	Tim Jenkins
Dale Harris	Greg MacGuire	Glen Cameron	Bob Morrison
Art MacKay	Harley Perry		

The minutes from the March meeting were not available.

#### Old Business

- No activity on a host for the next Annual General Meeting.
- Need to finalize the AGM details with the Red Knights.
- Metro trailer will be discussed at the next Metro Meeting

A proposal was presented on rates for Island fire departments of the school facility. These were designed as cost recovery options and may be adjusted. The fees can be waived as required if the board approves upon request.

#### Association Members Pricing – per 4 hour period

PEIFFA \$50 (PEIFFA representation required, each time facilities used)

#### Live fire simulator

Cold -	\$35
Hot -	\$80
Interior simulator (maze)	\$40
Engine(pumper)	\$150
Burn Pit (inc fuel)	\$60
Roof Panels	\$10
Vehicle	\$190
Air Bottle fill	\$10
Straw	\$3.25/per

Other items can be negotiated as required. Offered by Greg M, Seconded by Glen. **MOTION CARRIED**

### **Treasurers Report**

- A/R and income statement presented.

### **Training**

Report given by Miles.

- Essentials 6<sup>th</sup> edition will require an extra field work day and additional props. Miles will bring pricing estimates for the props to a future meeting.
- Discussion was held on integrating HazMat Awareness and Medical First Responder into the Level 1 certification which would add about 50 hours to the program. The topic was deferred until the Fire Marshall is available as he should be involved in the decision process.
- PEIFFA will have a booth at the Workers Compensation show on April 26<sup>th</sup>.
- An option was available to put a display add in the MFCA flyer for the conference to be held in Summerside. It was estimated that the cost for this was in the area of \$100. Offered by Harley, seconded by Bob. **MOTION CARRIED**
- Discussion on the rental cost for Holland College if they were to use our facilities for the classroom portion of their course which would add about 43 days to the program at the school. A decision on the rate was deferred and Miles will get further information from APA.
- 2 proposals were received from Perry Construction and MacLean Construction to replace the roof and insulate the warehouse. These proposals will be forwarded to the province for consideration.

### **Fire Marshal Office**

Report given by Robert Arsenault

- The office has been extremely busy with fire investigations and the office work (Lic/Reg – Activity reports etc) has fallen behind.

### **New Business**

- Miles, Bill G, and Rick Niblett are going to the Fire Exposition in Harrisburg, Penn in May. Harley presented a motion to cover up to \$500 in expenses for each of the 3 individuals and the motion was seconded by Glen. **MOTION CARRIED**
- Discussion on having checks available at the fire school for emergency purposes, Jason will follow up.
- John Cunningham from the NS Fire School attended a meeting with Jason, Miles, Tim and David Rossiter to discuss the future of the school. Many items were discussed and while NS works on a larger scale, the operations are very similar. Validation of current projects and some ideas for the future. A thank you should be sent to John Cunningham. Hotel, bridge pass and a lobster supper were suggested. Jason will get the supper, and Tim to follow up on hotel and bridge pass.
- The Blue Card program was discussed and significant commitment has been made to it. Overall decision that we need to be able to offer it and promote it. Officer training is a weak area, and we currently do not get high attendance rates. Digital Combustion is the program that Blue Card is delivered on, and it has several other uses in the school. Glen moved that we purchase the program, and Greg seconded. **MOTION CARRIED**
- Extended discussions were held regarding the news reports relating to Fire Departments and the medical first responder program in relation to changes in the health care system. Some departments have signed letters to the premier regarding MFR response. It was decided that it is not the PEI firefighters role to take a stand on this issue as the decision to be an MFR responding fire department, remains with each individual fire department. Information would be released that this is a local department issue, but the association is concerned about reductions in IEMS response times.

**Meeting adjourned** at 9:30 pm.